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LETTER OF DEFICIENCY WET #SC2004-0001

January 22, 2004

Rodney Perkins 37 Sleepy Hollow Drive Greenland, New Hampshire 03840

RE: Wetlands Bureau Complaint File #1998-882, Perkins, 37 Sleepy Hollow Drive, Greenland Tax Map R-6 / Lot 27.

Dear Mr. Perkins:

The Department of Environmental Services ("DES") Wetlands Bureau is conducting a systematic review of all enforcement cases currently outstanding. As you are aware, on October 8, 2003, personnel from the Department of Environmental Services ("DES") conducted an inspection of the above referenced property, more specifically referenced on the Town of Greenland Tax Map R-6 as Lot 16 (the "Property"). The purpose of the inspection was to determine compliance with RSA 482-A, the New Hampshire Wetlands Law.

DES personnel determined that dredging and filling of approximately 9,600 sq. ft. of freshwater wetlands took place on the property without a permit from the DES Wetlands Bureau. Photos of the areas are enclosed.

DES requests that you take the following action:

- 1. Retain a qualified wetland consultant to generate a plan which depicts existing conditions showing the topography of the property, and quantifies by field survey the current extent of disturbance in jurisdictional wetlands, and a restoration plan, as described below.
- 2. Submit both the existing conditions plan, and a restoration plan no later than May $\,$, 2004 for review and approval including:
 - a. A plan with dimensions for the removal of a total of approximately 4,600 sq. ft. of unpermitted fill in wetlands adjacent to the existing pond near the roadway and the area west of the existing house.
 - b. Planting plan (forested/scrub-shrub wetland species) for the stabilization of the removal areas;
 - c. Equipment and methods of erosion control (silt fence, hay bales, etc.);
 - d. Construction sequence and timetable for accomplishing remediation no later than August 1, 2004.
- 3. Retain a qualified wetland consultant to supervise and execute the requests of this letter.
- 4. Execute the restoration plan immediately upon receipt of the restoration plan approval from the DES Wetlands Bureau.

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5. Allow the disturbed freshwater wetland area (approximately 5,000 sq. ft.) located at the southwestern portion of the property to revegetate naturally according to the natural dynamic of the area without any future interference.

RSA 482-A, the New Hampshire Wetlands law, was enacted to protect and preserve wetlands and surface waters from unregulated despoliation. Prior to dredging or filling in and adjacent to wetlands or surface waters, an individual is required to obtain a permit from the Wetlands Bureau. If work is done without a permit from the Wetlands Bureau, this is considered a violation of RSA 482-A. Failure to respond to this Letter of Deficiency in a timely and complete manner may be construed as noncompliance by the receiving party.

Issuance of this letter shall not preclude further enforcement by DES. Failure to comply with RSA 482-A will result in enforcement by DES, including but not limited to the issuance of fines, administrative orders, or referral to the New Hampshire Office of the Attorney General for prosecution of civil or criminal penalties. If an order is issued to you, it may also be recorded with the Registry of Deeds as an encumbrance against your property.

All documents submitted in response to this Letter of Deficiency should be addressed as follows:

David Price, Compliance Investigator Wetlands Bureau Department of Environmental Services 360 Corporate Drive, Suite 2 Portsmouth, NH 03801

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, or wish to arrange a meeting, please contact David Price at (603) 433-6183.

Sincerely,

Dori Wiggin Coastal Supervisor

DES Wetlands Bureau

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